

TELP

Methodology



**I think the world is constructed
through shared meanings. Am I
therefore an Interpretivist ?**

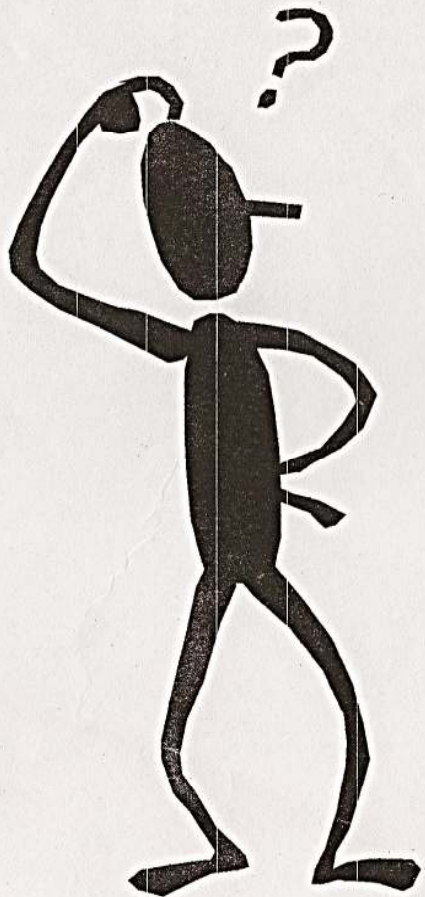
“Yes !”

**So what’s my methodology and
why do I need one ?**

**“Because you need a focal point to
apply your methods. Ask yourself
this question:**

**how am I to discover and validate
what I think exists”**

Methodologies



Isn't that my methods?

"No your methods are mere instruments. You need to decide on how to apply them"

Although constantly (re)constructed I think there 'exist' shared social codes?

"Your methodology seems therefore to be aligned with symbolic interactionism"

Method



Hmm as I'm interested the meaning(s) of shared symbolic codes I probably won't be able to use questionnaires

Yes, but why not ?

Yes but uncomfortable

Because I'm more interested in their primary constructs and methods that enable me to tap in to these meanings

see Blumer

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Methods

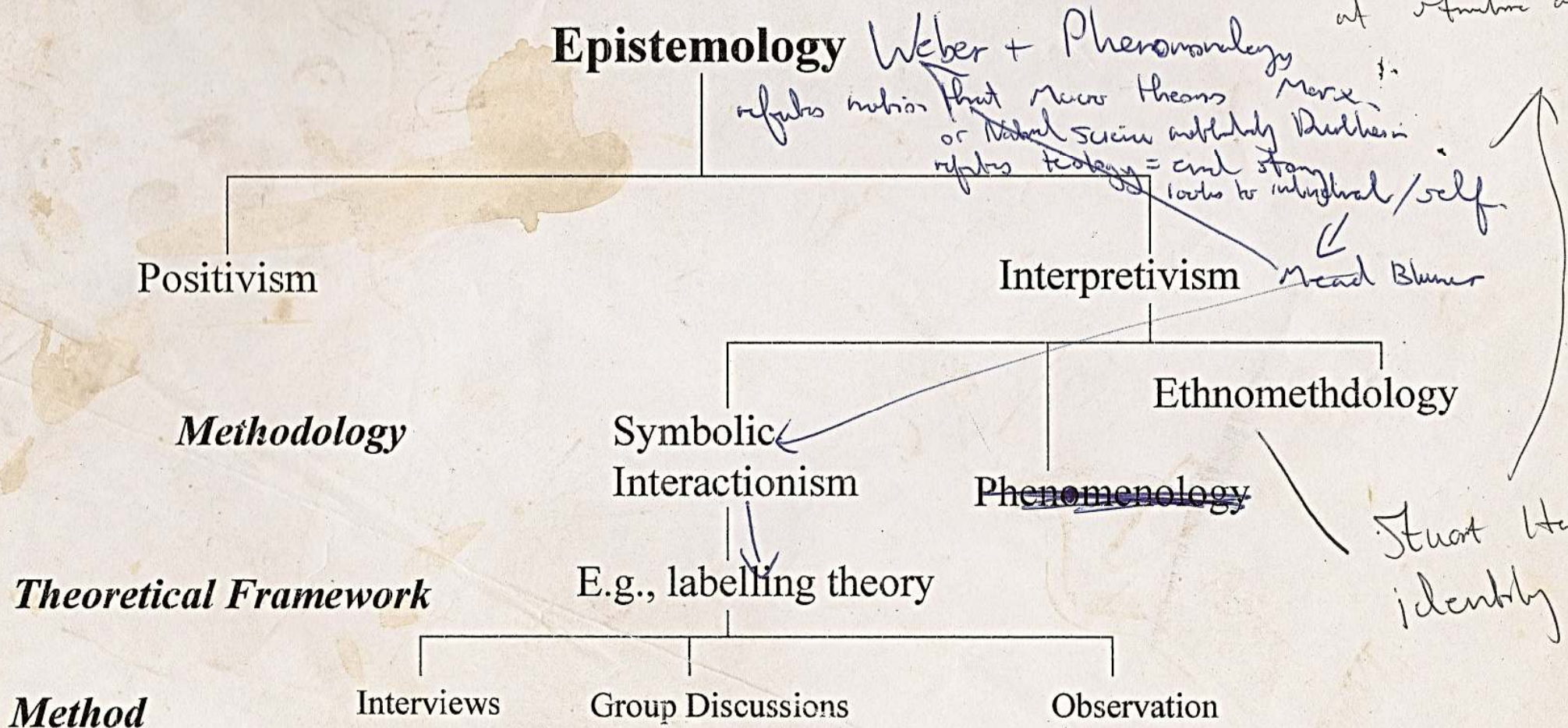


But what if I thought that the world existed scientifically in a similar manner to the natural world ?

“Then you would be a positivist. Why not check the research map on the next page”

Chris Litton

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Theoretical Framework

**My theory is about labelling so is this
my theoretical framework ?**

Yes in the sense that it is your
positioning amidst other interactionists
perspectives on labelling theory

**So my theoretical framework reflects
my methodology and epistemology ?**

Yes !



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research is... "in conjunction with
distinctive

methodology mutually related to particular
research epistemologies (~~paradigms~~) and are in conjunction with
Theoretical principles that adhere to